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## From the Desk of the President



#### BATTLE-GROUND

The delivery of health care has been chosen as the bete noire of the present confrontation between the government and private practitioners of medicine.

There is a highly vocal group whose attack is based on ideological motives rather than medical concerns. Because they are intent on using the health field as a battlefield, on which to wage political warfare, they are seeking for controversy rather than solutions. They are seeking to take over rather than make over the medical care system.

If one pushes aside the political underbrush and searches out the dissatisfactions that are being expressed, it may be possible to define the criticisms in meaningful and logical terms and thus do something to help those needing medical care.

—John F. Stotler, M.D. President



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#### Editorial

#### ON EARTH DAY

This past month, the nation celebrated earth week, which puts one in a somewhat reflective and contemplative spirit. With spring about to burst forth around us, with warm sunny days chasing the last vestiges of winter, with trees budding and flowers blooming, all seems right with this beautiful, round colorful planet called Earth.

Yet, the earth is surely changing; and it's changing because after billions of years of tranquil solitude, of doing nothing all day but turning toward and away from the sun, there comes the era of Man, where this upright walking animal wanders all over this earth and leaves in his footprints some crazy situations.

It would take the stoutest of God's planets to resist what this animal has done to His planet; he pollutes its atmosphere, poisons its streams and waterways, wastes its natural resources, mars its beauty with neon lights and, if that's not enough, he's not even nice to his fellow animals. Then, in a fit of disbelief, he wonders why the earth is no longer a "beautiful colorful planet" — and he's done all this "today", in the few thousand years which are only minutes in the whole spectrum.

Yet, when one considers the alternatives, it's still a pretty good place to live!

—F. A. Pesa, M.D. Editor

#### **DELEGATES PREPARE FOR COLUMBUS**



Reviewing proposed resolutions are (L to R) Dr. John Stotler, Dr. Ed Pichette, Dr. Jack Schreiber, Dr. John Melnick, Dr. Maurice Lieber, Sixth District Councilor, and Dr. Joseph Newsome.

Delegates from the six county medical societies of the Sixth District gathered at Congress Lake, near Canton, on April 28th to discuss resolutions and other important matters related to the annual meeting of the Ohio State Medical Association.

Dr. Maurice F. Lieber, Sixth District Councilor, presided. Dr. Robert R. Clark, delegate from Summit County, was elected chairman of the delegation. Dr. Marshall Werner, also from Summit, was appointed to represent the Sixth District on the nominating committee.

The Sixth District has 18 delegates to the OSMA House of Delegates: 1 from Columbiana, 4 from Mahoning, 1 from Portage, 4 from Stark, 6 from Summit and 2 from Trumbull. Mahoning delegates are: Dr. Newsome, chief delegate, Dr. Melnick, Dr. Pichette and Dr. Schreiber.

#### MCMS ADOPTS 6 MEETING SCHEDULE

An important constitutional amendment changing the number of yearly meetings was approved at the April 21st meeting of the Mahoning County Medical Society. There will now be six meetings a year, as compared to the ten-a-year previously called for by the constitution.

The change will affect two meetings this year. The June meeting will be dropped, as will the one for October. Next year, meetings will be held in January, March, May, September, November and December.

The amendment has been sent to the Ohio State Medical Association for final approval. It is hoped that less meetings will mean better attendance.

#### TWO ELECTED MEMBERS

Elected to membership at the April 21st meeting of the Mahoning County Medical Society were:

Intern-resident: Gerald S. Sevachko, M.D., St. Elizabeth Hospital. Non-resident: Antoine M. Harouny, M.D., Lakewood, Ohio.

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Dr. S. W. Chiasson, program chairman, Dr. Garcia Oller, and Dr. Jack Schreiber, who introduced the speaker.

Dr. Jose L. Garcia Oller, using example after example, repeatedly drove home his point, "First you say 'no', and then you say 'why?'" Speaking at the April 21st meeting of the Mahoning County Medical Society, Dr. Garcia Oller explained to 75 physicians and wives the workings of the Council of Medical Staffs, of which he is founder and president.

A typical example of bureaucratic muddling, exposed by the Council of Medical Staffs, was a HEW plan for sending hospital patients home a day earlier at an alleged savings of \$400 million. The Council worked out the actual plan and showed that the savings, at an enormous toll on the patients, would amount, instead, to \$4 million—an error on the part of the government of a mere \$396 million, or 99 percent.

Dr. Garcia Oller came to Youngstown directly from Washington, where he testified against another government plan that would demand complete disclosure of all patient's records for government files.

The key to a Council of Medical Staffs is a large enough area to encompass a number of hospital staffs, each of which would send a representative to a centrally located council. The purpose is to give the private practitioner an organization to represent his point of view.

Dr. Garcia Oller was introduced by Dr. Jack Schreiber. Arrangements were made by Dr. S. W. Chiasson, program director. Dr. John F. Stotler, president, presided.

#### YOUNGSTOWN HAS WORLD FORUM

An unusual opportunity, of special interest to all knowledgeable men and women, has come to Youngstown. The World Affairs Forum, conducted by the Industrial College of the Armed Forces and Department of State, and sponsored by the Youngstown Area Chamber of Commerce, will be here May 10 through 21. Youngstown is one of 7 cities that will have the series.

More than fifty sessions will give some of the answers as to where the United States stands in the area of world-wide politics, economics, science and armed forces.

The program of ten days of lectures and prize-winning films will take place at the Youngstown Playhouse. A copy of the program is available from the Chamber of Commerce. Tickets for the entire series are \$10 for men, \$5 for ladies. Individual day tickets are \$2 and \$1. Special group rates are made on series tickets.

#### **GOLF DAY IS NEXT WEEK**



Plans for the first annual Medical-Legal Golf Day have been made by the host organization, the Mahoning County Bar Association, with some assistance from the Medical Society. At left, Atty. Randy Pees, a member of the committee, compares shootin' irons with Dr. Si Chiasson, medical society program chairman.

The day will begin at 11:00 a.m., with the first tee-off at Oak Tree Country Club. There will be a social hour at 6:00 and dinner at 7:00 p.m. Dinner reservations may be made by sending a check for \$7.00 to the Mahoning County Bar Association, Third Floor, County Court House, Youngstown 44503. Tee-off reservations must be made by phoning the Pro Shop, (412) 528-9984, between May 15 and

May 19. Green fees will be \$5.50, and golf carts are available.

Tournament prizes have been arranged. Members of the committee are Atty. Pees, Atty. Jim Messenger and Atty. Carl Rafoth.

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## HELP is at hand NOW for Diagnosis of Gonorrhea

Alberta N. McDonough, A.B., M.Sc.

Certainly there is general awareness of the current epidemic status of venereal disease. What is not so well known, however, are the facts concerning a new effective laboratory aid to the diagnosis of gonorrhea in the female I refer specifically to the use and development of Thayer-Martin culture media. This is a delightful sort of success story. The culmination of work begun in the early sixties by dedicated bacteriologists specializing in venereal disease research at the Center for Disease Control in Atlanta, which is an important component of the United States Public Health Service, namely, James Thayer-Martin media inhibits growth of the multitudinous organisms prevalent in clinical material obtained appropriately, long enough to premit the many, or few, as the case may be, gonococci to flourish sufficiently that they may be

recognized by gram stain and oxidase production.

This development occurs at a most propitious and opportune time, when VD is rampant. Prior to the work we are discussing, the gonococcus was thought to be most difficult, if not impossible, to grow apart from its host. One of the main problems in this regard apparently has been the ability of the organism to survive in its natural, preferred environment, completely unnoticed, totally submerged and far out-numbered by the coexisting bacterial flora. In 1964, Thayer and Martin incorporated small amounts of ristocetin and polymixin B with the conventional medium (GC agar base and hemoglobin) to successfully prevent overgrowth of gram positive and gram negative bacteria as well as saprophytic Neisseria¹. When ristocetin (Abbott Laboratories) was removed from the market, it was necessary to find new antibiotic supplement replacement. The change to vancomycin, colistimethate soduim and nystatin⁵ in 1966 brought about even better recovery of Neisseria¹.

#### **METHOD:**

Let us point out with considerable enthusiasm, our own success with this now widely accepted, improved cultural technique. To date, we have performed cultures on nearly 600 females in a routine pattern, working closely with the venereal disease clinic under direction of Dr. Herman Zeve. Since both cervical and urethral streakings are grown, and in many cases, an additional anal streaking is cultured, the total number of cultures examined since

June, 1970, totals more than 1,500.

We use base medium from Baltimore Biological Laboratories (BBL). This medium differs from other conventional chocolate (so called) media in that an added enrichment, instead of blood or yeast extract, is chemically defined under the name of IsoVitaleX along with the VCN supplement<sup>5</sup>. Once poured, the agar petri plates are stored until use as needed up to several months with safety in the refrigerator. Just prior to streaking, a plate should be at room temperature. After streaking with clinical material, the petri dishes are placed in a "candle jar" to effect proper carbon dioxide tension (2-8%). For this, we use wide-mouthed mayonaise jars, inserting a small lighted candle affixed to a glass slide, and dampened paper towel to provide humidity before replacing the jar lid. Before extinction, the burning candle will generate about 3% carbon dioxide, an amount adequate to stimulate growth of the gonococcus. The jar may be kept at room (comfortably warm) temperature until convenient to place in an incubator set for 35 degrees C. Neisseria growth will usually

occur within 18-24 hours. Holding periods very much longer than 40 hours completely invalidate results because overgrowth will take control of the picture. Slide smears are made for gram straining in about 18 hours, and the suspicious colonies are flooded with p-aminodimethylaniline oxalate (Difco) to check the oxidase reaction. Presumptive positive results are identified through typical colonial plate appearance, the finding of gram negative diplococci from the cultured colonies, plus a positive oxidase reaction.

#### **RESULTS:**

The procedure is relatively easy to perform in experienced hands. It corelates well with clinical and epidemiological findings, and is a highly successful adjunct to clinical examination. On the basis of our work with 600 clinic women, we have reported positive cultures clearly in 30-35% of those examined, and are achieving between 95-99% correlated clinical accuracy. Recently, commercial products similar to Bacto-Transgrow (Difco) medium with CO2 added to the sealed container have begun to appear on the market. Hopefully, this will ultimately put the method into the hands of all physicians to the benefit of their private patients. We have attempted to evaluate Difco Transgrow in parallel with our freshly prepared media and to date have not come to results conclusive enough to report with authority. There was a problem of overgrowth in the samples we tried. We still prefer our own media to other products tried thus far, especially since we are not involved with transport problems—i.e. time and temperature variables beyond survival limits from inoculation to incubation.

#### DISCUSSION:

Asymptomatic women (80% of infected females)<sup>3</sup> possibly those whose gonorrheal condition is of long standing, don't have enough symptoms to motivate them to seek medical attention. Smear techniques are inadequate in these females for diagnostic purposes. Demonstrable gonococci there will not be. Likewise, specimens taken from treated patients may have very few gonococci present, and those may be relatively weak and of aberrant physiology. However, this selective enriched media will encourage growth of the single, isolated gonococcus so that invariably multiple cononies, sometimes even "luxuriant" growth, easily demonstrated and confirmed by both the gram stain and the oxidase test, offers "proof positive" in conformance with the classic postulates of Robert Koch. A recent article by Dr. Joseph Caldwell and others, in the February, 1971 issue of Journal of Obstetrics and Gynecology states: "The media (T-M) provides accurate, reliable means of detecting gonorrhea in women and its use should be considered for routine screening of high risk populations."

In connection with our personal experience, obviously persons attending VD clinics are there because they feel their problem is VD. Application of currently improved diagnostic facilities need to be extended far beyond the traditional VD clinics according to known reliable statistical sources. "Guess-timates" are that for every known case reported to public health authorities, there are approximately 10 individuals in the community harboring the

gonococcus with or without symptoms.

The Youngstown Public Health Laboratory is happy to be of help to local physicians by introduction and explanation where necessary, of this technique. We are exploring and searching for ways to acquire funds which would permit an expanded approach to the project and might enable us to provide at least an introductory container of culture media to each doctor so that he may try the method for himself. Meanwhile, until such budgetary increase be forthcoming, we do suggest to those of you who have special interest and wish to try the T-M culture media, to give us a call suggesting your need, and we will try to provide you with an initial supply and cooperate further by incubating your special request and reporting the results directly to you.

**CONCLUSION:** 

It is obvious that a breakthrough has occurred with introduction of the Thayer-Martin media for culturing Neisseria. Furthermore, it is apparent that a lag exists between the knowledge and its application where it is greatly needed in diagnosis today of gonorrhea in the female. Just for example, it is quite surprising to read that at least 60 hospital laboratories in the State of Ohio alone, are not even acquainted with T-M medium<sup>4</sup>. I repeat, this medium, selective for gonococci and meningococci has been widely accepted for the primary isolation of these organisms from conspicuously contaminated sites. The high degree of specificity and selective sensitivity of the medium also made it possible to accept with assurance presumptive culture testing for gonorrhea and the meningococcal carrier state<sup>1</sup>. It is really a sad state of affairs when so much money is expended on "pie in the sky" projects a la Madison Avenue style, and there is nothing left for communities to fight basic problems that concern every day life, and health. Try Thayer-Martin to discover GC. It works.

Dr. Zeve comments:

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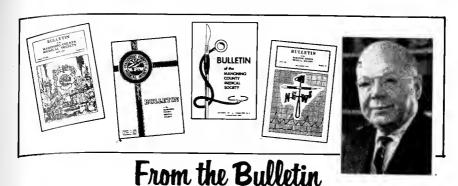
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#### FORTY YEARS AGO — MAY 1931

A survey of Physicians Incomes by Medical Economics showed the average net income to be \$5,059, for 1930.

There was a leading article by Dean Nesbit on Head Injuries. It was presented originally before the Medical Arts Club, a select group of doctors who met frequently for scientific study. Dr. Nesbit had extensive experience in treating head trauma as surgeon for the Sharon Steel Hoop and the surgical staff of the Youngstown Hospital.

Dr. John Norman McCann became a member.

According to the Ohio Health News there were 5,116 cases of smallpox in Ohio in 1930.

THIRTY YEARS AGO — MAY 1941

Preliminary tabulation of the 1940 census showed that the index of fertility of the nation's mothers had fallen to a point below that necessary to maintain the present level of the population. It was estimated that the country's population would fall 4 per cent in each generation over a long period.

David Belinky, H. S. Banninga, Sam Schwebel, W. H. Bunn, J. N. McCann and Morris Rosenblum were away for post-graduate study. Donald Rothrock, R. M. Morrison, Wendell Bennett and Walter Tims were away vacationing. Fred Coombs and Alice Mae Walker were married in April and honeymooning in the south. Dr. Bertram Firestone was elected to membership.

Some of the doctors who were prominent thirty years ago are no longer with us but they should be remembered. Dr. R. M. "Pop" Morrison was one of the greatest. He was more active in hospital activities than Medical Society affairs. The North Side Unit is a monument to his (and John Tod's) hard work and generosity. Dr. Sidney McCurdy was for many years chief surgeon of the Youngstown Sheet and Tube Co. and was an active worker in the society until he became chief of the medical section of the Industrial Commission of Ohio. Dr. Sam Weaver was our first neurosurgeon and a brilliant figure. He is now in practice in California. Dr. Louis Deitchman was a lovable character who collected first editions and practiced otolaryngology on the side. He contributed many articles to the Bulletin on medical history and conducted a column (Theophrastus Bombastus). His brother, Morris, was an outstanding internist who is now retired, living in Phoenix, Arizona. Dr. Alice Elliott was our only active woman practitioner. Bulletin news items record that in April she gave four lectures to women's groups and schools on sex education.

Thirty years ago those doctors dominated the local scene. They were busy in practice but gave much time to the public welfare. They did not know that by the year's end a never-heard-of place called Pearl Harbor would

alter their lives.

#### TWENTY YEARS AGO - MAY 1951

President Wenaas wrote, "A well conceived public relations program has for its objective the promotion and protection of the public interest.

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Our Women's Auxiliary won first place in the state-wide "Credits and Awards" contest sponsored by the Ohio State Medical Association for their efforts in community health projects and cooperation with the Medical Society on legislative and public relations activities. It was a well deserved award

and our ladies were very proud.

Stan Myers had a leading article on "Injuries and Deformities of the Nose". He said that in fractures of the nasal bones, too much reliance should not be placed on the x-ray report, as what may appear to be slight displacement on the film may be considerable deformity as far as the patient is concerned.

John McDonough's paper on "Treatment of Sterility in the Female" was

prominent in the Ohio State Medical Journal.

Milton Yarmy was elected a fellow of the American College of Physicians. P. B. Cestone, H. E. Chalker, L. G. Coe, J. B. Kupec, E. Massulo, J. M. Ranz, Ed Shorten, Wendell Bennett, Murrill Szucs and Craig Wales were away for post-graduate study. W. H. Bunn was re-elected president of the Youngstown Area Heart Association.

TEN YEARS AGO — MAY 1961

President Phillips wrote a strong plea for loyalty to the A.M.A. If you wish to change it, work from within to do so but defend it from outside criticism, he said.

There were 685 cases of measles reported, 46 of scarlet fever, 12 of tuberculosis, 5 of rheumatic fever, 3 of infectious hepatitis, 18 of gonorrhea and 6 of syphilis. That adds up to a lot of sickness and much of it preventable.

New members were Robert Ciekurs, Rene Cossette, James Edward Might, William James Cleary, Jr., Paul Edward Longaker, Richard C. Rohrer, Gust Boulis and Nicholas Joseph Garritano. L. G. Coe retired from active practice. —I. L. F.

#### HEALTH EXHIBITORS PLAN FOR FAIR



Representatives of 18 health agencies and allied professions met with the Canfield Fair Committee of the Mahoning County Medical Society in March and April to make plans for the twentieth year of participation in a combined medical health display. Over the years, the Canfield Fair Committee has conducted two meetings each spring for organizational purposes.

This year, the exhibitors have something to look forward to-a new building on the fairgrounds, being erected specifically to house medical health exhibits.

The meeting shown above was held at the Red Cross Chapter House. Dr. Jack Schreiber, chairman, presided.

## In Memorian

#### MICHAEL JOSEPH SUNDAY, M.D.

1906 - 1971

Dr. M. J. Sunday had been in retirement for a number of years at the time of his death, having discontinued his practice in 1959. He had been in General Practice for many years at the same location, the Home Savings and Loan Building.

He was a graduate of Marquette School of Medicine, and prior to this received his A.B. degree from Western Reserve University. He also attended Ohio State University.

Dr. Sunday was born in Lore City, Ohio, and first came to Youngstown in 1936 to intern at St. Elizabeth Hospital. Following his retirement, he did some work with the Veterans' Administration Hospital in Marion, Indiana. He had been ill for several months before his death.

#### SOCIETY OF MEDICAL ASSISTANTS

The Mahoning County Medical Assistants met March 2, 1971, in the office of our Advisor, Dr. Alexander Calder. President Joan Dutko conducted the business session. Delegates to the State Convention to be held in Columbus in April were appointed as follows: Delegates— Joan Dutko and June Kyle. Alternates— Mary Ann Donley and Dorothy Klein.

Dr. Calder was the guest speaker and his subject was "Hypnosis." After a short explanation he introduced Mrs. Roberta Kurlish, and, with her, demonstrated the value and importance of this technique in treating patients for major as well as minor ailments. With the use of a tape recording of his voice and a blinking light he managed to hypnotize about fifty per cent of the membership. We were all very impressed by the demonstration and wish to thank Dr. Calder for giving up his entire evening to meet with us. After we were all fully awake, refreshments were served by the Social Committee.

The April meeting was held at St. Elizabeth Ivy Hall. During the business session, conducted by the president, Joan Dutko, it was voted to give a donation of \$200.00 to St. Elizabeth Hospital for the use of Ivy Hall and other facilities. They have indeed been most kind to us and we want to extend our thanks to them at this time.

As this was our election of officers and a closed meeting, we had no planned program. The lucky number was drawn for our quarterly raffle and "would you believe"—Joan Dutko won it twice in a row.

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The following officers were elected to serve in 1971-72: President—June Kyle, President-Elect—Charlotte Kramer, Recording Secretary—Julia Gura, Corresponding Secretary—Joan Schuchler, and Treasurer—Candy Shufflebarger. New Councilors elected were: Nena LaBarbera, Jean McHenry, and Angie Fergus. Continuing Councilors are: Peg Drabison, Agnes O'Dea and Dorothy Pyatch. Congratulations!!!

Now, it is off to the State Convention, and our most sincere hope that our own, Nena LaBarbera, will be re-elected as our State Treasurer, a job

which she has handled this past year most efficiently.

Just a note to the doctors of Mahoning County— Would you like to have a more efficient Medical Assistant, one who is better informed, and better educated? If so, then contact our membership chairman, Jean McHenry, and she will be most happy to send your medical assistant the necessary membership form. Please let us hear from you.

-Candy Shufflebarger Bulletin Chairman

### POLICE ASSOCIATION HONORS DR. PERRY



For the third straight month, a physician of the Mahoning County Medical Society has been honored for community and medical service. Dr. Earnest Perry received a plaque at the second annual brotherhood banquet of the American Negro Police Association on April 15 for inspiring a number of youths to go to college and become leaders in the community.

Last month, Dr. John J. McDonough received the Eagles' humanitarian award for his work with S. S. Hope, and, a month earlier, Dr. L. P. Caccamo received the community service award of the Eastern Orthodox Men's Society for his work in the field of heart research.

The award was presented to Dr. Perry by Mitch Stanley, station manager of WFMJ. Sheriff Ray T. Davis was

honored at the same meeting. Patrolman Herbert Allison, president of the American Negro Police Association, said, "the men were chosen because they have done much to make Youngstown a better place and their efforts in the community have shown there is brotherhood among men."

Speaker for the affair was State Senator Harry Meshel.

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#### PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL

APRIL 13, 1971

The regular meeting of the Council of the Mahoning County Medical Society was held on Tues., April 13, 1971, at the Ohio Hotel, Youngstown.

The following physicians were present: J. F. Stotler, president, presiding, J. J. Anderson, Louis Bloomberg, B. P. Brucoli, D. J. Dallis, Henry Holden, R. L. Jenkins, K. M. Lloyd, J. C. Melnick, R. D. Murray, J. V. Newsome, F. A. Pesa, C. E. Pichette, M. C. Raupple, H. L. Shorr, and L. J. Zehr. Also present were Drs. Edward Kessler and J. W. Tandatnick. Absent were: R. A. Abdu, S. G. Adornato, L. P. Caccamo, A. B. Cinelli, S. F. Gaylord, and Jack Schreiber.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

The motion was made, seconded and duly passed that the secretary dispense with the reading of the minutes.

Bills were read. The motion was made, seconded and duly passed that

each bill be paid.

The any-doctor call report of the Medical Dental Bureau was passed around for all council members to see.

The following applicant was presented by the censors:

#### ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

Iohn S. Conti, M.D., 2904 Northview Drive, Youngstown

The application was approved. The applicant will become a member of the Mahoning County Medical Society fifteen days after publication in the Bulletin, unless objection is filed in writing with the secretary before that time.

It was noted that the second reading of the constitutional amendment

calling for 6 meetings a year would take place at the April meeting.

Dr. Newsome, chief delegate, announced the Sixth District delegate meeting for Congress Lake on Wednesday, April 28.

Dr. Lloyd, treasurer, reported six members delinquent in dues and that

they would receive the usual letter asking for dues payment.

Dr. Kessler, chairman, reported for the Health Planning Committee. Following discussion, the motion was made by Dr. Holden, and properly seconded, that (1) the general principles involved in delivering health care to model cities' areas be approved in principle, and (2) that the plan presented, being somewhat defective, will be studied further by the medical society in order to make recommendations for improving it.

The motion was made by Dr. Anderson, and properly seconded, that the previous motion be tabled. The vote was a tic. The president voted for tabling.

Motion was tabled.

Dr. Melnick, chairman, reported for the Insurance Committee. Following discussion, the motion was made by Dr. McInick, and properly seconded, that the Mahoning County Medical Society adopt the committee's recommended supplementary disability income plan as originally presented and adopted in the council meeting of Nov., 1970. Motion was passed.

Two letters from OSMA acknowledging receipt of a constitutional amend-

ment and four resolutions were noted.

A request was reported from Dr. Marie Krupko asking that transfer members not be required to make the second application for active membership. Council noted that two applications are required of all members, irregardless of whether they are transfer or new.

A letter was noted from the Union National Bank forwarding \$166.60

from an old inactive checking account.

A letter was read from Dr. Scarnecchia presenting a new emblem for consideration for the cover of the Bulletin. The letter was referred to the Editor of the Bulletin, and a letter of thanks is to go to Dr. Scarnecchia.

A letter was read from the Northeastern Ohio Chapter of the Arthirtis Foundation. The motion was made by Dr. Bloomberg, and properly seconded, that a letter be sent to the Foundation informing them that their letter has been referred to the appropriate committee. Motion was passed.

A letter was read from Lutheran Services in regard to establishing a church clinic. The letter was referred to the Health Planning Committee.

A letter was read from Dr. Butcher calling attention to a fraudulent sale of a truss by an out-of-town company to one of his patients. The motion was made by Dr. Lloyd, and properly seconded, that a letter be sent to the local Better Business Bureau with the request that the matter be referred to the Better Business Bureau in Pittsfield, Ill.

A letter was read from Dr. Schreiber concerning pre-school roundups in the County. The motion was made by Dr. Bloomberg, and properly seconded that Dr. Fenton be sent a copy of the letter with the notation that council endorses it, and that a copy be sent to the pre-school health committee with the suggestion that the committee meet with Dr. Fenton.

A letter was read from Dr. Taylor concerning Red Cross blood banks.

A letter was read from Dr. James S. McCaughan, Jr., Columbus physician, noting their own newly-formed Council of Medical Staffs and offering help in forming one here.

A letter was read from HEW concerning professional review. It was suggested by council that a committee become well-informed on the subject. The matter was referred to the Government Medical Care Committee. Dr. Henry

Holden was added to that committee.

A letter was read from the City Demonstration Agency asking for a representative on the Mayor's Technical Advisory Commission for the Model Cities Program. The letter was tabled until after the next report of the Health Planning Committee.

Discussion ensued concerning arrangements and menus for council meetings. The motion was made by Dr. Brucoli, and properly seconded, that no charge be made to members at council meetings. The motion was made, seconded and duly passed that the previous motion be tabled.

Dr. Stotler called attention to the medicaid claims report being sent out by the Ohio State Medical Association, which showed good progress in cutting down the backlog of old claims.

Dr. Stotler noted that the next meeting of council will be May 4, due to

the OSMA meeting being held the following week.

Dr. Stotler called for good attendance at the April 21st regular meeting

of the Mahoning County Medical Society.

A note was read from Dr. Chiasson asking whether the May 20 Golf Day should be considered the May meeting. The motion was made by Dr. Murray, and properly seconded, that the Golf Day be considered the May meeting. Motion was passed.

Meeting was adjourned.

-Howard Rempes Executive Secretary

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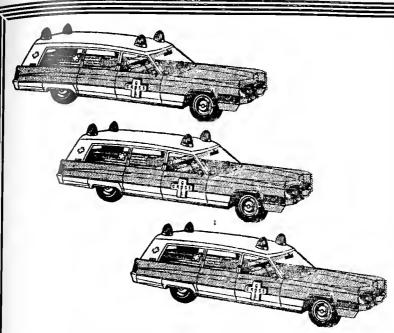
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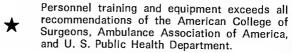
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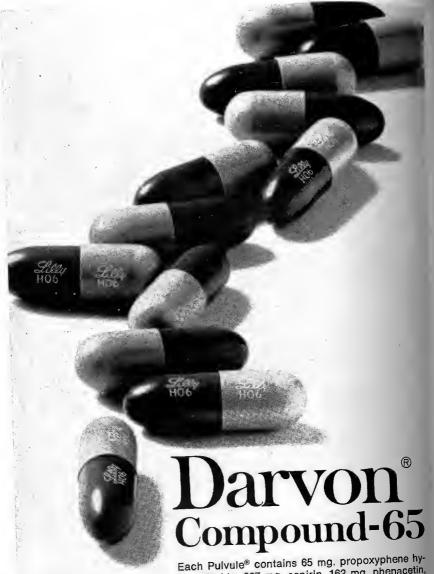


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